



ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY & ENERGY COMMISSION MEETING

June 9, 2026

7:00 PM

Fridley Civic Campus, 7071 University Ave N.E.

MINUTES

Call to Order

Chair Klemz called the Environmental Quality and Energy Commission to order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Aaron Klemz
 Emma Carter
 Justin Foell
 Dustin Norman
 Sam Stoxen

Absent: Avonna Starck
 Mark Hanson

Others Present: Rachel Workin, Environmental Planner

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Stoxen to approve the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Foell. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

1. Approval of May 19 Environmental Quality and Energy Commission Meeting Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Carter to approve the May 19, 2026 meeting minutes with the amendment of adding Dustin Norman and Mark Hansen as present. Seconded by Commissioner Foell. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

2. Gardena Avenue and East River Road Trail Project

Ms. Workin presented on planned Active Transportation Grant applications to fund trails on Gardena Avenue and East River Road

Motion by Commissioner Norman to recommend the City submit an Active Transportation Grant application for the Gardena Avenue and East River Road trail projects and to sign a letter of support. Seconded by Commissioner Foell. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Safe Streets for All Resolution

Ms. Workin presented the Safe Streets For All Resolution affirming the City's commitment to traffic fatalities. Commissioners recommended removing the word "eventual" from resolution #2 and adding language to emphasize the importance of working with other jurisdiction to ensure their projects in the City align with Toward Zero Death goals. Motion by Commissioner Norman to recommend the resolution with these changes. Seconded by Commissioner Carter. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

4. Energy Action Plan Updates

Ms. Workin said that the City's 2025 energy dashboard was included in the packet. Notable areas include 10 properties participating in the Multi Family Building Efficiency program, eight non profits participating in the non-profit energy savings program, and an increase in HESP participation from 3 to 44 properties. Commissioner Foell recommended additional outreach on the Renewable Connect program.

5. Grant Updates

Ms. Workin said that the City received for funding for textile and mattress recycling and is launching its Sylvan Hills Art bench project

6. Outreach and Event Updates

Ms. Workin shared about upcoming art and water events as well as a shoreline planting event at Moore Lake on June 23.

Other Items

7. Informal Status Reports

Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Norman to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Stoxen . The Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Workin
Environmental Planner